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PORT NECHES, TX, NRC#1264987

US Environmental Protection Agency
Report as of 11/27/2019 4:46 AM

Overview: Early in the morning on November 27th, the National Response Center received a report about an explosion at TPC Facility in Port Neches, TX. The explosion was felt for miles around with damages to homes and shops in the area. The news is reporting an evacuation zone of a half-mile around the facility and shelter-in-place beyond that. No fatalities have been reported and only minor injuries. The plant continues to burn at this time.

State, Local and other Federal Agency Actions: The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is activating to the Incident Command Post with air monitoring equipment.

EPA Actions: An EPA Region 6 OSC and START are mobilizing to the scene.

Media Interest: High

Media Links:

- <https://kfdm.com/news/local/breaking-plant-explosion-in-jefferson-county-rocks-homes-for-miles>
- https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/plant-explosion-in-texas-blows-windows-from-homes-miles-away/2019/11/27/7062fe06-10ef-11ea-924c-b34d09bbc948_story.html
- <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/explosion-reported-near-plant-southeastern-texas-n1092396>

The EPA will continue to monitor and provide updates as needed

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